

## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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RE: MUR 5424

Virginia Foxx

Virginia Foxx for Congress and Carolyn Aldridge, in her official capacity as treasurer

Dear Mr. Braden:

On February 7, 2005, the Federal Election Commission found reason to believe that your clients, Virginia Foxx and Virginia Foxx for Congress and Carolyn Aldridge, in her official capacity as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 441i(e)(1)(A) and 439a, provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). However, after considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission also determined to take no further action and closed its file. The Factual and Legal Analyses, which more fully explain the Commission's findings, are enclosed for your information.

The Commission reminds you that payment of congressional campaign telephone expenses with state senate committee funds appears to be a violation of 2 U.S.C. § 441i(e)(1)(A). In addition, the payment of Ms. Foxx's membership dues in the Yadkin County Chamber of Commerce appears to be a violation of 2 U.S.C. § 439a. Your clients should take steps to ensure that these activities do not occur in the future.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. *See* Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003).

If you have any questions, please contact Christine C. Gallagher, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Scott E. Thomas

Chairman

**Enclosures** 

Factual and Legal Analyses